

REMARKS

1. In the claim listing included herewith, claims 21 and 22 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein. Accordingly, claims 7-20 are pending in the application.

Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

2. It is noted that claims 1-20 stand allowed. Since claims 1-6 were canceled in the After Final Amendment And Response filed on April 9, 2007, it is assumed that the Examiner meant that claims 7-20 stand allowed.

3. Claims 21 and 22 stand rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent 5,893,025 to Bessho.

In response, claims 21 and 22 have been canceled herein.

Accordingly, withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully urged.

4. In view of the foregoing, it is submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Early notification to that effect is respectfully requested.

5. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees or credit any excess payment that may be associated with this paper to Deposit Account No. **04-1679**.

Respectfully submitted,

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